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Re: U.S. Application No. 09/698,213
Filed: October 30, 2000
Title: Computational Nucleic Acid Coding and Feature Analysis
Applicant: James D. McININCH
Atty. Docket: 16517.075

Sir:

The following documents are forwarded herewith for appropriate action by the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office (PTO):

1. a Response to Restriction Requirement;
2. a Petition for Extension of Time Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136;
3. a Letter to PTO Draftsperson: Submission of Formal Drawings;
4. Four sheets of formal drawings (Figures 7, 8a, 8b, 8c, 8d, 9a, and 9b);
5. Check No. 158714 in the amount of \$400.00 for a two-month extension of time fee;
and
6. a return postcard.

Please stamp the attached postcard with the filing date of these documents and return it to our courier.

Applicant does not believe that any fees other than the extension of time fee (\$400) are due in conjunction with this filing. If, however, any additional fees are due in conjunction with this filing, including any extension of time fees required to prevent abandonment, then such extension is hereby petitioned and the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge the fees to

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Arnold & Porter Deposit Account No. 50-1824 referencing docket number 16517.075. A duplicate copy of this letter is enclosed.

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Milan M. Vinnola".

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